

WHEREAS, the first week in March is set aside each year as Weights and Measures Week in order to commemorate the nation's first Weights and Measures Law, enacted on March 2, 1799, and to raise public awareness of the importance of this law; and

WHEREAS, two state agencies, the Department of Agriculture's Inspection and Consumer Services Division and the Department of Labor and Employment's Division of Oil and Public Safety, both serve the public need for standard weights and measures in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, employees within these Weights and Measures programs promote equity in the marketplace by ensuring that all weighing and measuring devices used in commerce are accurate both in design and operation; and

WHEREAS, Weights and Measures activities have an annual estimated economic impact of more than \$75 billion in our state; and

WHEREAS, Colorado is honored to host the 101st National Conference on Weights and Measures in Denver between July 24, 2016 and July 28, 2016, which provides an important forum to address issues facing the weighing and measuring community; and

WHEREAS, Coloradans recognize the dedicated efforts of the professionals who ensure that all weights and measures meet the national standard and are encouraged to learn more about this important service and the impact that it has on our lives;

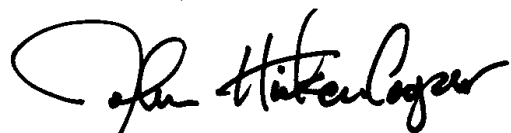
Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the entire State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, forever after, the period between March 1, 2016 and March 7, 2016, as

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES WEEK

in the State of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this first day of March, 2016


John W. Hickenlooper
Governor